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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of <u>Atsushi TOMITO</u> for <u>FOUIPMENT MANAGEMENT APPARATUS</u>, <u>FOUIPMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM</u>, <u>AND FOUIPMENT MANAGEMENT METHOD</u>.

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[]	Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure _ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
Als	o enclosed are:
[X]	10 sheet(s) of [X] formal [] informal drawing(s);
[X]	a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [] hereby made to filed in $_$ on $_$;
	[X] in the declaration;
[X]	a Claim for Convention Priority;
[X]	a certified copy of the priority document;
[]	a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
[]	an Assignment document;
[]	an Information Disclosure Statement;
[]	a bibliographic data entry sheet; and
[]	Other:
[X]	An [] executed [X] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
	[X] also is enclosed [] will follow.
[]	Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentenceThis application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to _ filed in _ on _; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference
[]	Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentenceThis application is a continuation of International Application No filed on _, which designates the United States



[] Small entity status is hereby claimed.

[X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

100 Mg 10	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE	
Basic Application Fee						
Total Claims	15	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =	0	
Independent Claims	6	MINUS 3 =	3	× \$80.00 (102) =	240.00	
If multiple dependent clai	ims are prese	ented, add \$270.00	(104)			
Total Application Fee						
If small entity status is cl	aimed, subtra	act 50% of Total A	pplication Fe	e		
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- [] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$ 990.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
- [] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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